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CONGREGATION

The Fathers met at Santa Clara, December 20-21. The Roman Mittendi are Father Edward Whelan and Father William Dunne. The substitutes are: Fathers Stack, Duce and C. Deeney. During the absence of Father Provincial, Father Duce will be Vice Provincial.

The men in China were not summoned because they are applicati to the Chinese Mission of the Province of France, in which they have both active and passive voice.

The men in Rome were not summoned on account of the great distance. They retained, however, their passive voice.

Father Al Whelan came from New York.

Father Provincial sails from New York February 18 on the Vulcania.

LAST VOWS

The following expect to pronounce their Last Vows on February 2, 1938: Father Copeland (Santa Clara), Father Maginnis (Loyola U), Father Duffy (Alma), Father Lynch (Loyola U), Father Phillips (Shanghai), Brother Lee (Alma).

ALMA

Father Rector was appointed a substitute for those going to Rome. In the absence of Father Provincial, he will act as Vice Provincial.

Mr. McEnaney, a first year theologian from the New Orleans Province, gave the theologians an illustrated lecture on Father Pro. He repeated his lecture to the Los Gatos community.

Father Hagemann gave the renovation triduum.

Long-standing rain records were smashed on December 10 and 11, when 7.07 inches of rain poured down in 24 hours, to be followed by 5.37 inches in the next 24 hours, bringing the winter's total to 19.45.

Father Edward Sullivan from Weston arrived in Los Angeles on December 20. He will teach Canon Law at Alma during the second semester.

Father Julius Convert of the Lyons Province came to Alma a couple of months ago. He has volunteered for the Alaska Missions.

The mother of Mr. Willard Snyder has presented three hammered silver chalices to Alma. They represent an ordination present which was to have been made under other circumstances. Underneath each chalice will be placed the inscription: Ora pro dantibus. The chalices are to provide for the increasing number of priests at Alma.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Mrs. Arthur Wright of the Maecenas Club was hostess at a very successful Spanish Shawl Dinner at the Assistance League in Hollywood. The well-known Spanish baritone, Bonanova, sang. The principal address given by Father Joseph Tompson, O.F.M., was on the excellent work of the Jesuits in California. The affair netted \$600 toward the establishment of a Chair of American Government at Loyola University.

The second issue of the Archdiocesan Sodality Union Literary Quarterly, "The Queen's Page," was published December 14. The purpose is to develop Catholic-minded writers. Paid subscriptions have come from Utah, Washington, Arizona and the principal cities of California. The paid circulation of the first issue was 950 copies.

Over 1000 were present at Arnold Lunn's lecture on conditions in Spain. The proceeds went to Loyola University Library.

Miss Regina Martz has donated furniture for the Students' recreation room.

Loyola University was represented at the International Relations Institute held in Beverly Hills Hotel; also at the

meeting of the Association of Colleges and Universities of the Southwest.

On the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Father Madigan said Mass and preached in Spanish at Fontana in a little shack on a hog-ranch where 30 Mexican families work.

At a Peace Conference at U. S. C., Father Vaughan presented the Catholic concept of peace.

The Loyola Senate debated the American Institute of Banking before a large audience.

The annual Christmas fete of Loyola University Guild, held on the campus, obtained funds to increase the scholarship fund for deserving students.

LOYOLA HIGH

Father Whelan was elected first of the Roman Mittendi.

The Novembe 29th issue of Aeternitas contains a quotation from the graph of 2400 years of war, including 902 wars. Professors Sorokin and Golovine have made the graph. The twelfth century, 1100-1200 A. D., was the century of the greatest world peace with a percentage of 2.7%. The crusades rate 31.32%. The first quarter of our century is 13,735.98%. The editor argues well in favor of Christianity, or rather Catholicity.

During Vocation Week representatives of different professions addressed the students, a physician, a priest, science men.

Fifty Christmas Baskets for the Poor was an objective for the close of the December session of school.

Archbishop Cantwell approved of Father Flynn speaking on the floor of the Stock Exchange to the Second Milers' Bible Class. The address was a religious one. The men hope to be permitted to have another. So they wrote to the Archbishop.

Father Morton's infected foot is much better.

Mr. Edward Crews has been transferred to Loyola High from Mt. St. Michael's. He is to help in classroom work.

LOS GATOS

Novitiate Pictures

The Novitiate is making an album of pictures of persons and places at Los Gatos. Pictures prior to 1928 are preferred. If any of Ours has such pictures in his collection and will donate them to Los Gatos, the favor will be deeply appreciated. For such pictures already sent to Los Gatos, the Novitiate

expresses grateful thanks to Father Provincial, Fathers Ward and O'Connell, and others.

In 1938 the Novitiate will be 50 years old. Honor the occasion by sending a picture!

Correction!

Corrections have come from several sources with regard to the remarks about the Della Strada Shrine (November issue, 1937). Fathers Spearman and Yeats, while Juniors, 1921-1922, built the shrine with redwood logs from Villa Joseph. Father Melchers provided the picture from which Miss Devlin painted the larger copy in the shrine. The smaller copy had been brought from Rome by Father Thornton. The idea of the painting and the shrine did not meet with universal approval at the time; but that is all forgotten now; the years and the multitudes of Scholastics and Novices, not to mention visitors, have never failed to praise the work and honor Our Lady of the Way.

SAN FRANCISCO

Father Gerald Leahy gave the retreat to the Gentlemen's Sodality.

Father Minister gave the renovation triduum.

For the fourth time out of six, a student of our high school won a cup and a silver medal in the Northern California Oratorical Contest, held under the auspices of the State College. Three of the six finalists were from St. Ignatius High.

The recent stormy weather caused a great deal of damage to the faculty house and gardens. Due to leakage from rains a new stucco finish is necessary for the third floor wings.

Father Burke O'Neill of the Chicago Province who has been at our residence while attending the University of California, was awarded his Ph.D. He leaves shortly for West Baden.

HAYES AND VAN NESS SITE

The following data on the removal of St. Ignatius from Market Street to Hayes and Van Ness, San Francisco, is taken from "The First Half Century" of Father Riordan.

In 1877 we were taxed \$12,000 a year at Market St., which was not only beyond our resources, but would also mount higher as the land grew in commercial value. It was necessary to move. V. R. Father Beck, approved. When Father Varsi personally interviewed Propaganda, His Eminence, Cardinal Franchi, Prefect of Propaganda, gave his unqualified approval. p. 205.

Father Varsi returned to San Francisco and on October 29, 1877, signed the deeds and paid \$200,000 for the Van Ness property. p. 207.

Bigotry tried to spoil the property by running a street through it. -John A. Hicks in the State Legislature ably defeated the plan. p. 208.

In March, 1878, Rev. Dr. George Conroy, Apostolic Delegate for Piux IX to Canada, came unexpectedly to San Francisco. One of the matters he took up was the moving of St. Ignatius to Van Ness Ave. He gave his approval. (Fr. R. A. Gleeson).

On June 21, 1878, Father Varsi wrote to Archbishop Alemany informing him that Father General had sent word that the proper authority in Rome had decided in favor of the removal to Van Ness, and earnestly asked the Archbishop's approval. p. 213.

On August 5, 1878, Archbishop Alemany replied that the Cardinal Prefect had informed him of the facts in the case and had said that the Fathers might be allowed to proceed. "Consequently," he added, "I can have no objection." p. 214. Then the Archbishop added a word in favor of existing and future parishes.

In October 1878 (reports the *Historia Domus*), the corner stone of the new church in honor of St. Ignatius was blessed by His Excellency, Eugene O'Connell, Bishop of Valley Field, and put in place with the greatest solemnity. Rev. Anthony Rooney, O.P., preached to an immense crowd. The people had come particularly to show their good will towards us, and they did this all the more readily because they knew that the Sovereign Pontiff, Leo XIII, had a short while before telegraphed his blessing through Cardinal Nina. That this mark of good will towards us on the part of so great a Pontiff may be known and not forgotten, it is quoted here.

Rev. P. Varsi
841 Market Street
San Francisco, Calif.
Agosto 20, 1878.

Il Santo Padre benedice con effusione di cuore nuova fabbrica di Chiesa e Collegio.—L. Card. Nina.

In the beginning of February 1882, when the building of the church and college was finished, Archbishop Alemany in the presence of an immense throng of secular and religious priests and a countless multitude of the laity, blessed the church and offered the first Mass, a Solemn Pontifical Mass, in the new church.

SANTA CLARA

The Provincial Congregation was held at Santa Clara, December 20-21.

The new pamphlet on the Holy Man of Santa Clara is now ready. Copies are being sent to the Franciscans. In the pamphlet is an approved prayer for the beatification of Father Magin Catala, O.F.M.

Francis Sanguinetti won the Dramatic Art Contest, December 8.

On December 16, Waldemar Johansen of Stanford University addressed the Clay M. Greene Players on scenic design for the stage.

Father C. Kavanagh represented the University at the Pacific Coast Section of Teachers of Philosophy in the United States. The meeting was held December 28 at Pomona College.

Brother Skelly is acting as sacristan on account of the serious illness of Brother Moneta.

On December 12, Archbishop Mitty confirmed 11 students at St. Clare's Church.

Before the holidays, as a spiritual Christmas gift for their parents the students offered a triduum of Masses and Holy Communions.

On December 8, new candidates were admitted into the Senior and Freshman Sodalties.

During the first semester a total of 8,074 Holy Communions has been distributed to the students.

BELLARMINE PREP

Father Kelly gave a triduum of sermons before the feast of the Immaculate Conception, at Holy Family Church.

New members were admitted to the Sodality at the High Mass in the Boys' Chapel, December 8.

December 10 the Sodality produced an original play written and produced by Father Kelly. Based on the "Rerum Novarum" of Leo XIII, it dealt with labor problems.

Eight hundred attended the annual card party of the Dads' Club, December 10. Thanks to the wild stormy night, more were unable to come. The proceeds have been set aside towards building bleachers and a fence for the football field.

Father Fox has selected "First Night" by Frederick Ralph as the play to be produced on March 1. He has been busy changing parts so as to limit the play to an all male cast.

STATUS ASSIGNMENTS

The Tertians have already received

their assignments for the next school year.

Fr. Corcoran, U. S. F.
Fr. Dunne, Special Studies
Fr. Healy, Los Gatos
Fr. Johnson, Loyola U.
Fr. McGrorey, St. Ignatius High.
Fr. Zeman, Santa Clara.

The Third Year Philosophers:

Mr. Aldridge, U. S. F.
Mr. Bannan, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Benecke, Bellarmine.
Mr. Brady, Loyola High.
Mr. Carroll, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Coleman, U. S. F.
Mr. Conneally, Loyola High.
Mr. Corcoran, U. S. F.
Mr. Cosgrave, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Thos. Donohue, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Pat Donohue, Loyola U.
Mr. Fader, Bellarmine.
Mr. Finnegan, Bellarmine.
Mr. Gruye, Loyola High.
Mr. Hancock, Loyola U.
Mr. Harrington, Santa Clara.
Mr. Humphreys, Santa Clara.
Mr. Jacobs, Loyola High.
Mr. Kavanagh, Loyola High.
Mr. Klement, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Lagan, Santa Clara.
Mr. Marshall, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Murphy, Santa Clara.
Mr. Murray, Loyola U.
Mr. O'Gara, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. O'Toole, Bellarmine.
Mr. Robinson, Bellarmine.
Mr. Rock, Loyola U.
Mr. Sausotte, St. Ignatius High.
Mr. Shenk, Loyola High.
Mr. Tichenor, U. S. F.
Mr. Vizzard, Santa Clara.
Mr. Weckbach, Loyola U.
Messrs. Dowd, Hynes, Ryan and Selhorst expect. destinationem.

VARIA

A public address system has been installed in our church at Santa Barbara. Any speaker can be heard without difficulty.

Father Andrew Cook, S.J., 21 years chaplain of Cook County Hospital, Chicago, is staying in the "guest room" at Phoenix. The restricted conditions had been made known, but he came anyhow, and though a sick man is delighted. Two attacks of pneumonia made him leave Chicago.

A small edition of Father Malaise's "Following of Christ" is under consideration.

Father Curran hopes to make Palestine sometime during March-June, 1938, if the conditions in the Holy Land will permit it.

On December 12, Archbishop Mitty confirmed 160 at St. Clare's. St. Clare's School presented 50 children for confirmation; the Holy Family Sisters, 88 children; Santa Clara University, 11 students. There were also 11 other adults, 2 of whom were converts.

On December 12, the Archbishop confirmed 95 children at Holy Family Church.

CHINA

Father Kearney writes under date of November 18 that 11,000 refugees are being cared for by us at Zikawei; and we are helping with 15,000 more nearby.

Father Simons writes on November 14 that they have received no stipends since July. The war delayed the September Masses, which were sent in October instead. These were followed by more in December.

Father Lipman and two Scholastics are still studying 2nd year Chinese at Zikawei. They could not get to Anking.

Father Moore, Procurator for the China Mission, sent a telegram to the Bishops of the United States assembled in their meeting in Washington, D. C., humbly asking their aid in caring for the refugees in China.

California is definitely assigned to work in the Haichow District in China. The question of which district our Missionaries should labor in, has been a matter of doubt until a few weeks ago, when it was definitely settled by Father Provincial. He was asked by Rome to choose. He cabled back what will comfort the men in the "bush," ELEGIMUS Haichow.

"Jesuit Missions" generously sent us stipends for our men in China. Stipends are rather scarce. This gift is a real help to the province and to the Missions.

Presumably on account of Father George Dunne's talks last year at St. Patrick's Seminary, an Albert J. Steiss has written about sending stipends for our Mission in China.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Nov. 23, Fr. John Mulligan, New York.
Nov. 30, Fr. John Luchessi, Holy Cross, Alaska.
Dec. 2, Fr. Alfred Oates, New York.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Mr. D. C. Lynch, father of Father Cornelius Lynch, S.J.
Brother Weston's brother.

Exivit John P. Comisky 3rd yr. phil.